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G.O. No. 4965

Dated 21st SEPTEMBER 1948

[Despatch Abstract.]

AGRICULTURE - Grow More Food - Pumpsets - Supply to ryots at reduced rates - Concession - Extension upto 30-6-1949 - Orders passed.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Abstract.

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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.
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G.O.Ms.No.4763. Dated the 21st September 1948.

Read:again: G.O.Ms.No.1081, Development, dated 13-3-1946.
G.O.Ms.No.2042, Development, dated 25-5-1946.
G.O.Ms.No.3396, Development, dated 4-9-1946.
G.O.Ms.No.946, Development, dated 5-3-1947.
G.O.Ms.No.1542, Development, dated 8-4-1947.
G.O.Ms.No.2954, Development, dated 8-7-1947
G.O.Ms.No.4171, Development, dated 25-8-1947.

Read also: Memorandum No.61848 AIV/48-1, Devt., dated 9-8-1948.
From the Joint Director of Agriculture, S.1-3312/48, dated 16-8-1948.
From the Joint Director of Industries & Commerce, DB.950 Eng.46, dated 3-9-1948.
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ORDER;

In G.O.Ms.No.4171, Development Department, dated the 25th August 1947, the Government ordered that the concessional rates of hire charges for pumps supplied to agriculturists by the Agricultural and Industries Departments be continued upto 30th September 1948, in order to assist them to grow more food crops in the off season under well irrigation. The reduced rate of hire charges in respect of oil engines is Re.1/- per day against the normal rate of Rs.3/- per day or Rs.75/- p.m. or Rs.200/- for 3 months. The transport charges of the pumpsets or any part thereof are also waived as a concession in deserving cases. As regards petrol engine pumpsets the concessional rates are Annas 8 per day or Rs.10 per mensem for periods of one month and more.

2. The Joint Director of Agriculture has proposed that the concessional rate of annas eight per day or Rs.10/- per mensem for periods of one month and more be levied for petrol pumpsets which are allowed to be retained with ryots beyond 30th September 1948. He has also proposed a concessional rate of Rs.2/- (two) per day in the case of oil engines as the working costs for running these engines have risen and has suggested that these rates may be continued for a further period of one year from 1-10-1948. The Government accept his remuneration. As regards trailer pumpsets the Joint Director of Agriculture is informed that the hire charges fixed in G.O.Ms.No.946, Development Department, dated 5th March 1947 viz., Rs.2/- per day will continue to be in force.

3. The Director of Agriculture is requested to give at once wide publicity to the new concessional rates through the local papers and in other papers in circulation in the presidency in Indian languages and also individually to agriculturists who are in possession of the pumps let on hire by the Agricultural Department

It should also be made clear to the parties that the concession might be withdrawn before 30th September 1949, if Government consider necessary, after giving not more than a month's notice. The Director of Industries and Commerce is also requested to take similar action in respect of the pumpsets belonging to the Industries Department.

4. The concessional rates of hire charges and the waiver of transport charges now extended upto 30th September 1949 should not be allowed to all hirers as a matter of course by the Director of Agriculture and the Director of Industries and Commerce. The concession should be allowed only where it is essential in order to ensure the best possible use of the pumps i.e., in cases where applicants who cannot pay full charges can make better use of the pumps than those who can pay full charges

5. The Government of India will be addressed to contribute 50% of the net cost on account of the continuanc of the concessions upto 30th September 1949. The Director of Agriculture and the Director of Industries and Commerce are requested to furnish the net cost on this account whicl should be arrived at on the basis mentioned in para 4 of G.O.No.1081, Development dated 13th March 1946.

BY ORDER OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To the Director of Agriculture.
To the Director of Industries and Commerce.
To the Accountant General, through Finance.
To the Board of Revenue.
To the Secretary to Government of India,
Ministry of Agriculture, New Delhi.
Copy to Food Department.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Public Works (Information & Publicity) Department.

PRESS NOTE NO.227, DATED 2ND OCTOBER 1948.

Sub: G.M.F. Campaign - Hiring of pumpsets by the Agricultural Department at concessional rates - Continuance for one year from 1-10-1948.

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The Agricultural Department has been supplying on hire petrol pumpsets and oil engines with a view to assist the ryots to grow food crops in the off season under well irrigation. The concessional rate of hire charges in respect of oil engines is Rupee one per day against the normal rate of Rs.3/- per day or Rs.75/- per mensem or Rs.200/- for three months. As regards petrol engine pumpsets the concessional rates are annas eight per day or Rs.10/- per mensem for periods of one month and more. The sanction for these rates will expire on 30-9-1948.

2. The Government have now examined the question of the continuance of these concessional rates. A hire charge of annas eight per day or Rs.10/- per mensem has been fixed in the case of petrol pumpsets which are allowed to be retained with the ryots beyond 30-9-1948 and Rs.Two per day has been fixed for trailer pumpsets. In respect of oil engines the concessional rate has been fixed at Rs.Two per day as the working charges for these engines have risen. These rates will remain in force for one year from 1-10-1948.

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Superintendent,
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